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Hi Scott,

I found 34 sampling locations where at least one thin sub-sample was rejected and not logged prior to implementation of the updated field form on 4/21/18. I've attached the Pre-RD Group sample tracking spreadsheet which calls out these sample locations. *Please note that not all of these 34 instances necessarily require a re-sampling of the location, but rather should be investigated in further detail.* For example, there are 12 sampling locations that included at least one sub-sample in the final composite sample with recovery < 20 cm, which could be retroactively acceptable. However, these sampling locations did still contain a sub-sample that was <20 cm, rejected, and not logged.

Based on the field logs, at some of these locations it is unclear if poor recovery occurs due to:

- Hard sediments
- Debris interfering with the grab sampler
- Calibrating the weight in the grab sampler (more weight added after thin sample recovered)

Some of the field logs are more detailed than others, and some of the thin sub-samples that were rejected were at least partially logged (e.g., SG-B033 and SG-B-040). Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

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